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The All-American Master Breeder Gold Medal — most coveted award in turkey competition.

The granddaddy of all turkey shows, the internationally famous All-American, will hold its 19th annual exhibition at Grand Forks, North Dakota, January 12-16, 1942, and all advance indications point to an outstanding event in every department. Show officials and committees have been working on preliminary plans for some weeks and with the approval of the 1942 tentative program work has begun in earnest to produce a show that will measure up to the many successful events of the past 19 years.

### Dyke Page to Manage

Dyke Page, for 10 years president of the All-American, will manage the 1942 show, with the assistance of an Advisory Committee consisting of: Alfred Malmberg, Crookston, Minn., Chairman, John O. Allen, Radium, Minn., J. J. Quam, Beltrami, Minn., Otto Thieke, Beardsley, Minn., and A. C. Payne, Towner, N. Dak. This committee consists of well known breeders who have been active in show circles for many years.

Page succeeds Former Manager Frank E. Moore who was Poultry Extension Director at the North Dakota Agricultural College at Fargo, and who recently resigned to accept a new

# 19th All-American Gets Under Way

Plans Are Laid for an Outstanding Exposition Jan. 12-16 at Grand Forks; Dyke Page, New Manager.

position with the Bureau of Animal Husbandry with headquarters at Beltsville, Md., and Washington.

### \$1500 in Cash and Special Prizes

The 1942 prize list for the All-American promises to exceed even the very generous offerings of former years. All departments of last year's show will be again repeated this year and will include:

**STANDARD LIVE BIRD COMPETITION.** Crowned with the award of the Master Breeders Gold Medal, finest turkey show award in the country, and originated by the All-American. Trophies and Cash Awards to Grand Champion and all Breed Champions, Champion Young Tom and Hen, Sweepstakes General Display and Sweepstakes Pen. More than 50 trophies and cash specials in addition.

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### Other Show Features

The Homecoming Banquet, high spot of turkey show week, with a turkey dinner, entertainment and dancing,, informal breed club meetings, the Turkey Hen Club banquet, are but a few of the enjoyable social features of the All-American that have a wide appeal to turkey growers and those in allied industries.

### Judges

At the time of going to press the manage-



ment announced the acceptance of George W. Hackett, former manager, as a judge at the 1942 exhibition. Other members of the judging staff for both live and dressed departments will be announced within the next week and will, as usual, include widely known, experienced men in the turkey judging field.

Premium List for the 1942 show will be issued as a supplement to the December issue of THE AMERICAN TURKEY JOURNAL and will also be mailed to a large list of turkey exhibitors. Additional copies may be obtained by writing Secretary W. W. Blain, Grand Forks, N. Dak.

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## IMPORTANT DATES

- Nov. 6-9 — Hemet Utility Turkey Show, Hemet, California. Miles E. Nickles, manager.
- Nov. 24-27—Denver Turkey Show, Denver, Colo. P. M. Pierce, Manager.
- Nov. 25-29—Northern States Turkey Show, Alexandria, Minn. Judges: George W. Hackett, Prof. O. A. Barton.
- Nov. 29 - Dec. 1—Minnesota State Turkey Show, Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis. Don Deveuny, Secy.-Treas., Linder Hills Station, Minneapolis.
- Dec. 1-6—North Dakota State Turkey Show, Minot. Leslie E. Maupin, Secretary.
- Dec. 4-6—Missouri Turkey Show, Richland, Mo. Hollis B. Franks, manager.
- Dec. 9-13—Northwestern Turkey Show, Oakland, Oregon. E. G. Young, manager.
- Dec. 11-15—Turkey Show of the Chicago International Poultry Exposition, Chicago, Ill. Geo. Fitterer, Secy., Box 464, Chicago.
- Jan. 12-16, 1942—19th annual All-American Turkey Show, Grand Forks, North Dakota. Dyke Page, President and Manager, Grand Forks, N. Dak.
- Jan. 14-18, 1942—Live and Dressed Turkey Show, with the 93rd Boston Poultry Show. Paul Ives, Chairman, New Haven, Conn.
- Sept. 22-26, Sept. 29-Oct. 3, Nov. 3-7, Nov. 10-14 — Dr. Salsbury's School of Poultry Diseases, Charles City, Iowa.
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## Windom, Minn., Boy Wins Award

St. Paul, Oct. 29—Leland Turner of Windom today received, for the first time in the history of the Junior Live Stock Show in South St. Paul, one of the newly established Philip W. Pillsbury awards for agricultural achievement for the best pen of turkeys shown in competition with county-champion turkeys raised by farm youths in Minnesota.

Young Turner, who will be 12 years old next week, is the son of Carl W. Turner, a prominent farmer of Cottonwood county. He raised the turkeys as a 4-H project. His coop of three turkeys weighed 95 pounds, 10

pounds more than he does. This is young Turner's second year in 4-H club work.

In presenting the award Mr. Pillsbury said, "If there ever was a year when we should all as Americans be proud of the Thanksgiving tradition and the turkey and trimmings that go with it, representing our thankfulness for the pioneer spirit of our pilgrim forefathers and their devotion to liberty, it is this year as we Americans pioneer anew to protect our freedom."

The winner of the award, with other exhibitors, was guest of honor at a luncheon in St. Paul today.

## N. DAK. STATE SHOW PLANS

The 11th annual North Dakota State Turkey Show will be held in Minot the week of December 1-6, 1941. Indications point to one of the finest, as well as the largest shows in the history of this annual event. Some of the breeders, who have made show history, report the finest quality in their flocks this year they have ever produced. An unusually cool and early fall stimulated the appetites of the turkey flocks and tended to develop the full-rounded beauty of the birds at least two weeks ahead of the normal finishing time.

Minot, the home of the State Turkey Show, is situated in the heart of the finest turkey raising country in the entire Northwest. This show has been a tremendous factor in the expansion of the turkey industry in this area.

Only turkeys actually raised in the state are accepted in the competition in this show. Breeds accepted are Bronze, White Holland, Narragansett, Bourbon Red, Black and Broad-Breasted. This is the first year that the Broad-Breasted variety has been admitted to competition in the show. This breed will be allowed to compete in its respective class for all prizes except the Grand Championship of the show. In the dressed division, however, the Broad-Breasted bird will be allowed to compete for the Grand Championship. Breeders are invited to enter their best birds in this show.

The Show is held at the Minot Armory, and interested breeders may write to Leslie E. Maupin, Secretary, in care of the Minot Association of Commerce, for premium list, entry blanks or general information. Birds entered in advance of the show will receive the best attention and entering early greatly facilitates handling of the birds. The final entry time is 9:00 A. M., Wednesday, December 3rd.

Judges this year will be P. M. Pierce of Denver, Colorado, who will be chief judge for the second year. He will be assisted by Clara Thoreson of Fingal, North Dakota, who is making her third appearance as a judge at this show. The dressed division will be judged by Prof. O. A. Barton of the North Dakota Agricultural College at Fargo.

# The Standard Breeder

By GEORGE W. HACKETT



**CHAMPION NARRAGANSETT FEMALE  
WORLD'S POULTRY CONGRESS 1939**

Here is a striking demonstration of the real worth of the Standard-Bred turkey. This Narragansett hen was bred and exhibited by the Oakdale Turkey Farm, Kensington, Minn., and won Champion Narragansett Female at the World Poultry Congress in 1939. This same bird when dressed won Champion Narragansett Dressed at the Northern States Turkey Show the following year.

At no time in recent years has the writer found greater enthusiasm among the breeders of Standard turkeys than when making the rounds at A.P.A. inspection and banding this fall. It is also very noticeable that in the flocks which had been A.P.A. banded for several years it is not difficult to find the type the breeders are seeking. Then too, to a greater extent than ever before, judges and inspectors are giving full Standard value to type which only the more closely conforms to the new 1940 edition of the Standard of Perfection under which turkeys are now being judged.

The real meaning is that the turkey, although a creature of beautiful plumage, is not regarded as a "hobby" by anyone, its economic value being in the desirability of its dressed carcass and the cost of producing the same. On this basis all turkey growers are in full agreement. As regards color importance there never will be agreement as

long as there are growers who do not care a hoot for color but there is no reason why this difference of opinion should cause dissension among turkey raisers.

However, one would have to be blind not to recognize and appreciate the splendid attraction presented by many flocks of Standard turkeys of different breeds the writer has seen this fall. It is equally gratifying to note the pride evidenced by the owners of such flocks.

## THE NARRAGANSETT TURKEY

Narragansetts were included in the first "Standard of Excellence," published in 1878.



**This same bird won Champion Narragansett Dressed, Northern States Turkey Show, 1940.**

They were authoritatively recognized as early as any of the breeds, and the history of their origin dates back a century or more. It is claimed by our earliest writers of authority on turkeys that they were developed along with the Bronze in the region of Narragansett Bay from which they take their name. These writers state that Narragansetts were developed for a special market type for special trade in the larger cities, presumably family trade for which, by both type and weight, they are still admirably adapted.

Their rapid growth, early development, and docile nature make them a very desirable turkey for the average farm flock, and in recent years have been used extensively for the "oven ready" family trade. For this reason leading Narragansett breeders have attached to them the slogan: "The family



size turkey." Their striking surface plumage of contrasting black and "light steel gray," approaching white, is most effective when viewed in flocks. This combination of colors seems to fit well into any farm setting. The sharper contrast in these colors have been much improved in recent years yet it would appear that there is a limit to which the "steel gray" can be brought to "approaching white" without diminishing the black surface edgings or markings which are most desired.

For the same reason more tolerance has been found necessary in the color of wing bow where the steel gray is desired, black is most prevalent. It has also been noted that the better market types have the darker tendency of color. In short, the Standard describes that color which is most pleasing and attractive, but with the greater value given to type and considering the impossibility of attaining perfection, with due value given to type, the BEST bird will always win.

The tail color of the Narragansett is very beautiful. In respect to penciling and white edgings it is the same as for the Bronze except that the color of the penciling is "tan" rather than brown and no bronze or green sheen is tolerated. The metallic black ground color, and particularly on the back of toms is most striking, and a wide ribbon band in place of the "rainbow" of the Bronze is also much admired.

The following Standard weights for Narragansetts are quite ideal: Adult tom, 33 lbs.; yearling tom, 30; young tom, 23; adult hen, 18; yearling hen, 16; young hen, 14. These weights are readily attained and differ but little from weights first adopted in 1878 with 32 lbs. for "weight of cock."

The International Narragansett Turkey Club which was formed in 1928 is largely responsible for the growth and present popularity of the breed. At the time the club was organized, entries of this breed were very limited at all shows, while now they run a close second to the Bronze in most of the larger shows and in some cases exceed them. This speaks well for the value of live turkey breed clubs which in most cases means, "live wire" secretaries.

### CAVALIER, N. D., HAS SHOW

The Northeastern North Dakota Poultry Show was held at Cavalier October 30-31 with good entries, fine attendance, and a turkey banquet and entertainment.

James Costello, of Cavalier, won Grand Champion with his Yearling Bronze Tom. Awards were placed by Mrs. James Thoresen, of Fingal, and Prof. O. A. Barton, of Fargo.

Joseph L. Kertz, Cavalier, was toastmaster at the banquet and the speakers included: Ben Reike, of Mankato, Minn., and Arthur Lanz, North Dakota Poultry Improvement board, Bismarck. Entertainment was provided by Homemakers Clubs and the City Band.

### ROSEBUD, S. D., SHOW DEC. 1-2-3

The Directors of the Rosebud Poultry Improvement Association meet this week to discuss plans for the coming Rosebud Turkey Show which will be held in Winner, South Dakota, December 1-2-3 of this year.

The Rosebud country of South Dakota consists of six counties lying west of the Missouri River and south of the White River. This area annually produces 125,000 turkeys, some of which are raised from home-hatched poults, the rest from poults supplied by commercial breeders and hatcheries. The marketable turkeys go to markets scattered all over the middlewest from Winner to Chicago.

Over 150 turkeys, representing all of the major breeds, will be shown at the Rosebud turkey show. Many of these birds are national championship calibre and will be shown at other shows in the middlewest. During the course of the show several features of entertainment will be in progress. Among them will be a turkey banquet, a turkey movie, talks on turkey management and disease, a turkey auction, and demonstrational turkey judging by Howard Tanner, A.P.A., Gettysburg, South Dakota, and Raphael Brandriet, Extension Poultry Specialist, Brookings, South Dakota.

### MINNESOTA TURKEY NOTES

The Meeker County Turkey Growers, working with the Litchfield Chamber of Commerce, held their most successful Turkey Day October 15th. It started with a tour of Meeker County flocks which was well attended and a very enjoyable as well as educational trip was had. It proved that Meeker County really has fine turkeys as well as many of them. It is estimated that Meeker County's crop will be approximately 150,000 birds.

At noon over 3,000 turkey sandwiches and coffee were given by the Chamber of Commerce and twenty live turkey toms were given away to persons holding lucky tickets.

The evening was highlighted by a very colorful banquet at which over 300 men and women were seated. The setting was very beautiful with fall decorations and large turkey toms were carved by the host at each table. This proved to be a grand affair.

Dr. Billings gave a very spirited address. Other speakers on the program were Mr. S. J. Ranelius of Hastings, President of the Minnesota Turkey Growers Association; Mr. L. L. Getten of Land O'Lakes Creameries, and Mr. Art Peifer of the Litchfield Produce Company. Mr. George Gilbertson and Mr. Alfred Foslein of Alexandria spoke of the Alexandria Turkey Show, which will be held November 25th to 29th. Mr. R. E. Baumgartner acted as Master of Ceremonies.

The annual election was held and the following officers were elected: President, Mr. Henry A. Olson, and Secretary-Treasurer, W. A. Tintes.



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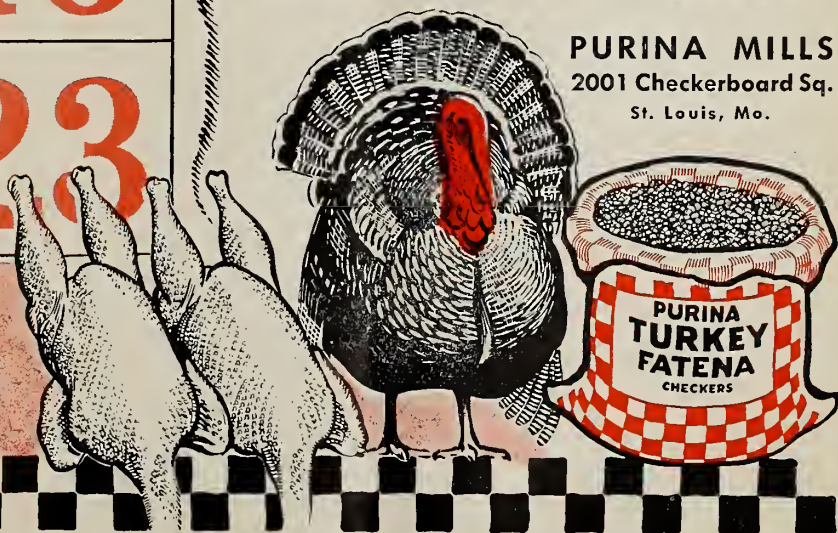
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## PUBLIC SERVANTS IN THE TURKEY INDUSTRY

Federal and State governments are generous in providing every important industry, including the turkey industry, with much valuable and helpful information made available through extensive research and paid for from the public treasury for the benefit of the general public.

This fine service requires a large army of trained personnel and in most cases this talent is above the average in ability, educational qualifications and experience. They accept these offices with the definite knowledge that they become public servants whose duty it is to serve the common interests of all who come within the scope of their particular work. In large measure the beneficial results to the industry served have been well worth the cost to the taxpayer.

Unfortunately this fine service has been marred by some of these public servants who have allowed their personal convictions and prejudices to overshadow the obligation they have to serve the whole industry and not just certain groups in it.

Specifically, we believe that the development of new breeds of turkeys and the promotion of the same should be left to the breeders themselves who have always been on the alert for the kind and size of turkey demanded by the market. When a public servant, paid for by the public treasury, sets out to use his office and influence to further the interests of one particular kind and size of turkey, he becomes an influential and important competitor against every other kind of turkey.

He was not hired to advocate or promote any particular variety and in doing so he violates every precept of fair play and endangers the interests of thousands of growers who help pay his way.

In the turkey industry, as in every other, there are bound to be wide divergences of opinion as to what may be the best turkey. Every public servant serving the industry has a perfect right to his own personal opinion on this question but he definitely does not have the right to use his office and influence in favor of one to the detriment of the other.

Fortunately the violations of fair play noted here are not many but they cannot be overlooked and they are not passing without being noted.

Turkey growers as a class do not ask many favors and they are used to hoeing their own row without much complaint but violations such as these have resulted in deep resentment which cannot help but have bad effects on the future of an industry that needs much cooperation.

## NOTES & COMMENT

**A WELL KNOWN BOURBON RED BREEDER PASSES.** E. P. Roloson, 87, Delaware, Ohio, died at his home Oct. 14th after a long illness. He was a sick man at time of the Ohio State Fair, the last of August, yet insisted on attending the fair at which he had exhibited either Percheron horses or turkeys for 67 years without a break. He had bred and exhibited Bourbons for 25

years and, with Mrs. Roloson, was always on hand at Columbus with a fine string and always winning their full share of high honors.

Mr. Roloson was the kind of man one enjoys meeting and the many compliments paid him by fellow exhibitors bespeaks the place he has filled as a neighbor and citizen. It was our pleasure to have known him well and with his hosts of friends the American Turkey Journal extends to Mrs. Roloson and the family our deep sympathy.

THE OHIO STATE TURKEY TOUR. In



these columns we have often mentioned activities of the Ohio State Turkey Breeders Association which functions so effectively at their state fair. With the same energy and progressive management they hold an annual "turkey day and tour," which attracts much attention in that state. This year it was held in the vicinity of New Carlisle. Many flocks of different breeds were visited and modern equipment, including hatcheries, were inspected. The tour was so planned as to reach the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Flanderberg, where local turkey folks had prepared roast turkey and coffee to augment the picnic dinners carried. After lunch the annual meeting of the Association was held. Talks were given by representatives of the State Agricultural College. The tour began at 9:00 and ended at 4:00. It was pronounced one of the best ever held by this organization.

#### TURKEY TOURS HAVE MUCH VALUE.

Reported elsewhere in this issue are two Minnesota County Turkey Tours; Aitkin and Meeker counties. The Aitkin organization was one of the first to hold such tours and have held it annually for many years. The Meeker county organization is of later origin, this being only its second tour. The reports speak for themselves. We commend such activities, with variation of programs each year. More should be held.

#### MISSOURI TO EMPLOY A.P.A. INSPECTION AND BANDING.

Following the Missouri State Turkey show, which is to be held at Richland, Dec. 4-5-6, a program of turkey banding has been arranged. From 1,000 to 1,500 turkeys belonging to several members of the Association will be banded by Geo. W. Hackett, who will also judge the show. It is possible that a few other banding dates can be arranged while Mr. Hackett is in the state.

**DON'T FORGET THE ARMISTICE DAY BLIZZARD.** It may never happen again, and again it could happen. It is best to be prepared anyway. Last year where roosts were sheltered, most of the birds found the roosts and stayed there in safety even though the snow drifted high around them. The turkeys that were a total loss would have brought enough on the market to have housed several times the number that perished.

**The AMERICAN ROYAL:** Without a definite report to date we have been advised by a visitor at the show that there was the usual large entry of fine turkeys and with interest keen at this big Livestock and Poultry Exposition. The attendance is always large and that is of great value to exhibitors. We anticipate a further report of the show in Mrs. Sadie Lloyd's notes and have asked the secretary for the awards.

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**THE GRASS IS GREEN IN SOUTH DAKOTA.** This will be news to many who have visited that state at this time of the year but, really, South Dakota looks good this fall and with the amount of moisture they have had this year, especially this fall, enthusiasm will mount to high tide for "next year's" crop. They deserve the best that can come to them. We found plenty of fine, well matured turkeys in South Dakota this fall. The climate is good for turkeys and many excellent birds have been produced in that state. There is wide range and grasshoppers are usually plentiful, but it takes more than hoppers to produce good turkeys.

**THE WATERTOWN SHOW WILL HAVE MORE TURKEY COOPS.** Last year the State Poultry Show at Watertown had to turn away turkey entries because of shortage of coops. That will not happen again, so says the Chamber of Commerce there, who sponsor the show. Added coops have already been ordered for the show, which takes place the first full week in January.

### SHELTON WINS ON WEST COAST

Shelton's Turkey Farm, of Pomona, Calif., showed 38 turkeys in all breeds, except Narragansett and Slate, at the California State Fair and won 11 firsts, 13 seconds, 7 thirds, 4 fourths and 2 fifths, Best Pair and Best Display.

At the Los Angeles County Fair, at Pomona, they entered a string of 47 different birds and placed every bird entered. There were 6 exhibitors exhibiting 62 birds but no bird placed over a Shelton turkey in any class.

At both shows the Sheltons entered Broad Breasted birds which they are now breeding. They won 1st pen at the Hemet California Utility Show on this breed.

### THREE SOUTH DAKOTA POULTRYMEN IN ARMY

The Poultry Department of South Dakota State was especially hard-hit by having three of its members who are Reserve officers called to active duty. Captain W. E. Poley, Head of the Department, is in the Air Corps and is now stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. Lieutenant Marlin H. Simonson, the Extension Poultryman, is now stationed at Chicago, Illinois. Ralph Mernaugh, the Assistant Extension Poultryman, is also in the Procurement Division and is located in New York City.

Their places are being temporarily filled in the following manner: Wilbor O. Wilson is now Acting Head of the Department; David Williams of the University of Georgia is filling in the place of Wilbor O. Wilson; Vernon Noordsy is now an instructor in poultry; Raphael Brandriet is the Extension Poultryman, and Richard Heeren is the Assistant Extension Poultryman.

### AITKIN, MINN., TURKEY TOUR AND BANQUET

A balmy, sunny morning spread o'er the earth. All were glad! A perfect day for the thirteenth annual turkey tour and banquet. Interested turkey folk gathered at the Aitkin County Court House for the nine o'clock get-away.

County Agent A. R. Rollin, accompanied by Dr. W. A. Billings, turkey specialist and Extension Veterinarian of the University of Minnesota; Al Smeby, editor of "Markets" of South St. Paul; and Wm. Peck, Livestock Bruise Prevention Commissioner of South St. Paul, led the caravan.

Mr. Rollin headed north across the "Father of Waters" to the I. E. Shisler Sheep & Turkey Farm of 1,000 turkeys on the bank of the Mississippi River. 300 fat lambs were recently sold from the farm. Shislars have kept their own breeding flock of turkeys since 1918, hatch their own poults, and sell eggs and poults. On to the Claud Wright & Son Turkey Farm where 400 turkeys were viewed. The Wrights devote their entire time to turkey work. They operate an exclusive turkey hatchery in Aitkin. Their son Herbert entered a pen of turkeys in the recent Junior Livestock Show at Duluth.

At the Bert Wilson place we saw 2000 turkeys which occupy most of his time. This is his second year raising turkeys. His new bride assists him. He buys his poults. We returned to Aitkin and went south of town to the Wm. Ulman farm where a large flock of turkeys covered a hillside overlooking the nearby lake. One felt just like staying there awhile, getting into a boat on the placid waters and thoroughly enjoying the quiet, sunny day. Ulman's previously raised silver foxes until turkeys captured their eye. Today turkey roam the fox pens.

At the Frank Ziske farm we saw 9,000 turkeys, mostly the beautiful Narragansett, which made a pleasing sight spread over a large hill overlooking one of Aitkin County's numerous charming lakes. The Ziske's have summer cottages for tourists, and a miniature zoo, which especially attracts the children. Mr. Ziske operates a grocery, meat and feed store in Aitkin. Back to Aitkin for dinner, intensely interested groups thoroughly discussed turkeys, and felt good with the turkey price situation as it is today.

At 1:30 p. m. we took to the trail again, riding over the paved road used by Highways 169 and 210 for a distance of about eight miles. We passed by R. C. Williams' flock of 12,000 Bronze turkeys. He buys his eggs in California and hatches them in Aitkin County. Each year he has an unusually large flock to market. His son and new bride assist with the turkeys. We swung to the left and visited the Ed Ronhausen farm. Mr. and Mrs. Ronhausen are deeply interested in turkey raising. Each year they produce a good sized flock of Bronze. They usu-

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## NARRAGANSETT CLUB NOTES

A. C. Payne, President - - Towner, N. Dak.  
Mrs. Wm. Eddle, Vice Pres., Northwood, N. D.  
Mrs. Ole Nelson, Sec'y-Treas., Kensington, Minn.

Another month has rolled along and before we know it most of this year's crop of turkeys will be on the market. All indications point to a very successful season for turkey raisers. There will evidently be an unusually good demand for breeding stock and also poults and eggs in 1942. Narragansetts are gaining in popularity right along so all you Narragansett breeders better get busy and advertise your turkeys in the turkey magazines; also pick out a few of your very best birds and show at the leading turkey shows.



The time for picking out next year's breeders is right now, before dressing out any for the market. If you wish to raise a better flock next year keep only the very choicest birds from this year's flock.

The Northern States Turkey Show at Alexandria, Minn., will be held a little earlier this year. It begins Nov. 25th and closes Nov. 29th. The Narragansetts are always very well represented at this show, but let us make this a record-breaking year and have a still larger and better display of this, our favorite breed. We hope that all the old exhibitors will be back and bring some new ones along. I shall be looking forward to see you all again.

In closing let me remind you that our club dues for 1942 are due Nov. 1. Let us send in our dues early so we will have ample money in our treasury to contribute ribbons and trophies at the leading shows. This is such a beautiful fall day I wish I could come and stroll with you through your flock of Narragansetts. I just know they would be strutting mighty proudly in the bright sunshine.

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## North Dakota Turkey Improvement Association

By MRS. A. C. PAYNE, Sec'y - Towner, N. D.

This month marks the end of another year. It has been a good year financially for the turkey growers of the state. With an abundance of feed and advanced price of the dressed bird a nice profit is realized.



Mrs. A. C. Payne

This is also a big month for all turkey breeders that are interested in the competitive side of turkey raising. County and State shows are being held. It will not seem the same to most of us not to look forward to seeing Frank Moore again at these shows. He has been very faithful and untiring in his efforts of promoting better poultry and shows in the State. While he has gone to a field

where his good efforts are farther reaching, I know his heart is still back here in North Dakota where he has worked so patiently for the past ten years.

In his new work he is with the U. S. Department of Agriculture and his work consists of administration and coordination. He will visit North Dakota for a few days at various times of the year in his work. I am sure the best word we can send him is that we are carrying on our breeding program and aiming at "continued progress."

The State Show Board has finished plans for the eleventh annual Turkey Show to be held again in the Armory in Minot, Dec. 1 to 6. One of the new features of the show this year will be the introduction of the broad-breasted turkeys which will compete in a class by themselves but being non-standard will not be eligible to compete for Grand Championship in the live division but will compete in the dressed.

In the dressed department each breed will be broken down into classes. Another new feature this year will be a trophy table where many practical and useful trophies will be on display which will add considerably to the attractiveness of the show. I hope you will be able to be there. I have attended the State Show for many years and have always gone home feeling that my time was well spent as I have taken home with me new ideas and inspirations, besides renewing old acquaintances and making new friends. If you are unable to come the activities of the show will again, as in previous years, be broadcast over KLPM so "keep listenin'."

We enjoyed a visit during the past month from Doc Haney and L. A. Hanson. They report all turkeys in their territory in splendid condition this Fall. Having such a grand October gives some of those late hatched turkeys a chance to develop nicely. So far we have had no snow (Oct. 22nd) and surely have enjoyed "October's bright, blue weather."

Sympathy is extended to the Sam Thompson family at Bantry at the loss of their farm home

by fire last month. Mrs. Thompson is a member of our association and has attended many of our meetings.

Well, here's hoping I'll see you all soon at some of the shows.

MRS. A. C. PAYNE.

## ALL-AMERICAN BRONZE TURKEY CLUB

Axel Hanson, President - Minneapolis  
Mrs. W. J. Janda, Sec'y - St. Hilaire, Minn.

Another month has passed and no news items from our members. I hope you all haven't had as much rain as we have had the past six weeks. Threshing and potato digging are just being finished. So far we haven't had a heavy frost. In fact today, Oct. 20, we had new lettuce from our garden and also picked a bouquet of asters. Our turkeys seem to thrive regardless of excess rain, and are putting on extra pounds each week. In fact, they seem to be in better condition than ordinarily.



Mrs. W. J. Janda

Several growers around here have been marketing their turkeys the past week. We are hoping the price will be in proportion to the price of other meats. If so, we should really do well with our turkey projects this year.

The past year, here has been a big demand for breeding stock, eggs and poults. The breeding stock should be selected now when the flocks are culled for marketing. Only the best matured and best type birds should be kept for breeders. Folks intending to buy breeding stock should buy in the fall, in order to get the earliest maturing and better type stock. Don't wait until spring to get your toms and hens, as by that time you are likely to get late hatched birds, which do not make desirable breeders.

"The birds you grow are no better than the quality of the parent stock." So buy the best in order to raise the best. Don't depend on getting stock in the spring. With high priced grain and higher priced turkeys this fall very few extra breeders will be kept over until spring.

Our fall and winter shows are on the way. Attend these. You will learn a lot about the different breeds and you will see the best in each. The first large show in our section will be the Northern States Turkey show at Alexandria, Minn., the latter part of November. It is in the turkey growing section of the state and is the largest and best turkey show held in Minnesota, and it won't take a back seat for any turkey show in the country, excluding none. Real quality birds are shown in all breeds. Beautiful trophies and prizes are offered in both the dressed and exhibition classes. The elite of turkeydom are found on display here.

Please remember our club page. News and memberships will be appreciated.

MRS. JANDA, Secy.



## NATIONAL BLACK TURKEY CLUB

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Irwin Moore, Vice-President - Waukesha, Wis.  
W. W. Teelin - - - Blossvale, N. Y.  
Secretary-Treasurer

Had a very interesting letter from the Nelson's, of Oakdale Turkey Farm, Kensington, Minn. Mrs. Nelson says they have been raising Blacks since 1933 and are very well satisfied with them. She has found, as all Black growers have, that they are a very compact bird, hardy and disease-resistant and especially good layers of quality uniform sized eggs. As a market bird they have the broad breast so much desired and their creamy white skin dresses out a beautiful carcass. If you want to see a beautiful sight watch a flock of Blacks with their bright red heads. Thanks a lot, Mrs. Nelson, for your letter and your dues.



W. W. Teelin

We are having plenty of rain now after a very dry season. All crops are good except hay which was very light. The turkey market looks very promising for this fall with all competing meats up and plenty of buying power in the retail markets.

All you Black growers should show your Blacks at the shows this year and keep our favorite breed before the public. Drop me a letter when possible and help keep our Club Notes interesting.

## BUSSEY ISSUES NEW CATALOG

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## TALKING TURKEY ABOUT TURKEYS

The last few years have brought considerable discussion concerning the relative merits of different types of turkeys. The types that seem to be coming in for the most discussion are the Broad Breasted, standard-bred and small-type turkey. Unfortunately many of the arguments up to the present time have been based simply on opinion and not sufficiently on established facts. Also the arguments have centered too largely around the question of size and physical appearance which, although important, may not in the end be the factors which determine the relative merits of these types.

Let's look at some things that need to be kept in mind. In respect to size much emphasis is placed on the greater selling price per pound for the smaller birds especially at some seasons of the year. This is particularly true in males where the heavier birds are discounted considerably. This may not necessarily mean, however, that heavier birds bring less returns since as a general rule the larger birds are faster growing and consequently grow more economically per pound. The increased number of pounds in large birds may in some cases counter-balance the increase in price per pound for smaller birds. In other words the economy of gain is an important consideration as well as actual gain.

Age at maturity is another consideration especially for this climate where we are inclined to start turkeys late and market them relatively early. If any of the common types of turkeys mature at too great an age this may prove to be a serious handicap. Having to wait for example an extra month to get birds matured may increase the cost excessively even though the birds at that time might have advantages as to type, size, finish, etc. It is well known that as the birds get older and especially as they approach maturity the feed consumed per pound of gain increases very rapidly.

Another consideration which seems to be given little attention, but which we found quite important last year in comparing our groups of turkeys, was the proportion of the birds that fall in the various grades. In view of the reduction in price with each lower grade it is relatively important, if not too expensive, to get a high proportion of birds in the top grade. It happened that in our groups of birds last year that a much higher proportion of the birds fell in the top grade in the heavier strain than in the light strain. It may, therefore, be better to have heavier birds if more of them fall into the higher grades.

Then there is the problem of fertility and hatchability. If the differences between the types becomes great, the cost of poults may be a serious problem. There seems to be at present the common opinion that the broad-breasted birds do not hatch as well and are



less fertile. Is this due to type or can it be corrected by breeding, feeding or management? No one knows for sure. Also there may be some differences in feed requirements. Susceptibility to disease may also be involved in the control of pullorum disease, and possibly others, that seem to be increasing in some areas.

## THE MARKET

The New York market in the middle of October stood as follows: Fancy stock, Young Toms; 16-18 lbs., 29c; 18-20 lbs., 31c; 20 lbs. and over, 31½c. Young Hens, Fancy stock; 8-10 lbs., 30c; 10 lbs. and over, 30c

Cold storage holdings as of October 1st were 9,000,000 lbs. against 15,200,000 a year ago, and five-year average of 7,900,000 lbs.

It was reported by the Quartermaster General of the Army that the Army would buy approximately 1,500,000 lbs. of turkey for Thanksgiving. No definite word as to Navy purchases was made. Generally the feeling was that the Thanksgiving market would be a satisfactory one for producers.

## The Problem of Flight Control

Veterinary science at last has found an easy way to end another of the troubles confronting poultry farmers — the instinctive flying urge of domesticated fowl which so often results in death or injury to birds, especially in large flocks.

Turkey raisers especially have sought some effective method of restricting flight because, where control requires confinement to certain areas with frequent changes to new range, birds often fly over fences or against barriers, thereby crippling or killing themselves.

From the Pillsbury Control laboratories at the Pillsbury Mills in Minneapolis comes word that their research veterinarian, Dr. F. W. Gehrman, has perfected a simple practical operation which he calls "alatomy." It is a technique specially designed for use in restricting flight of domestic fowl, and involves a tenotomy or tendon severance.

Months of experiment went into Dr. Gahrman's studies which were based on work done with flight control of zoological birds by Charles R. Schroeder, D. V. M., and Karl Koch, at San Diego, Calif.

In their work on zoological birds Schroeder and Koch used an electric needle. When used on chickens and turkeys, Gehrman found the electric needle caused a large, slow-healing wound which has a tendency to result in a permanent, disfiguring scar and to incite cannibalism among the birds. His "alatomy" operation performed with a thin-bladed knife or scalpel avoids these difficulties. Properly performed it forever prevents a bird from sustained flight.

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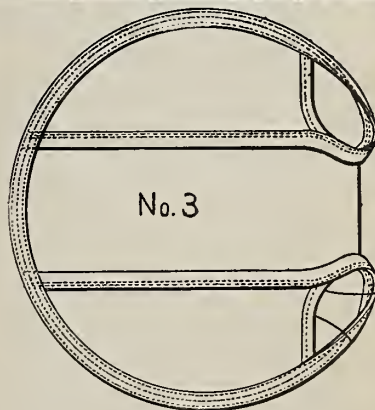
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bird, thereby permanently preventing wing extension. Feathers in this area are removed, and by flexing the outer wing joint, the tendon is easily located on the upper and outer part of the wing, near the outer attachment of the wing web.

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pressure, upwards, will sever the tendon. As the tendon is severed under tension, it will snap back, this being easily observed by the operator. An alatomy should be performed on each wing of the bird to maintain proper body balance. After the tendon severance, the knife is withdrawn through the same small skin slit used as the point of entry. The blade should be disinfected before each use to prevent transmission of disease or infection from bird to bird.

There is little bleeding when the operation is properly performed, but to avoid possible cannibalism by other birds in the flock, the small wound may be painted with pine tar.

Alatomy has many advantages. Alatomized flocks are easier to control; they become quieter, which helps to eliminate stampedes and resultant injury to and loss of birds. The birds gain weight because restlessness is reduced and tree-roosting is curtailed. Alatomy does not affect the breeding or pen-roosting of birds. Breeding stock may be confined, enabling the poultryman to keep accurate pedigree records. Forced to remain inside fencing, proper feed and water are always available to birds.

A bird on which alatomy has been performed may flutter into the air, but lacks propelling power. Sustained flight is impossible.

In all cases in which alatomy has been performed on poultry, where records have been maintained, it has been proved successful, but Dr. Gehrman suggests that any poultry farmer trying alatomy confine it at first to a few birds, instead of performing the operation on his entire flock. In this way, the poultry farmer can judge for himself the value of alatomy as a method of restricting flight, and also insure himself that he is properly performing the operation.

By observing results, he can then decide whether, in the future, he cares to "alatomize" his entire flock. Dr. Gehrman has announced he will be glad to answer inquiries addressed to him at Pillsbury Control Laboratories, Minneapolis.

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Commencing in late fall and continuing through the winter, the breeders should have a mash that contains about ten per cent animal protein, and about thirty days before eggs are wanted they should be supplied with a regular laying mash. Such a mash as has been made here at the Cornell Experiment Station has given good results and consists of one hundred pounds each of yellow corn meal, wheat bran, wheat middlings, ground heavy oats or ground barley and fifty pounds each of meat scraps and dried milk and three pounds of salt. When the flock is confined five per cent of alfalfa leaf meal may be added. There should be enough cod liver oil used to supply one-half per cent in the daily ration, including both the grain and mash. The grain mixture consists of two hundred pounds each of cracked yellow corn and wheat, with one hundred pounds of heavy oats. Water and oyster shell should be available at all times.

In selecting the breeders look for those with short, broad and deep heads, short necks, broad backs that are inclined to be flat and relatively level, medium length keels that parallel the backs and that are thickly covered with flesh from front to rear. The breeders should also have short shanks and with thighs that have plenty of flesh clear down to the hocks. One young and well developed tom will generally answer for ten or twelve hens. Many of the older toms are too heavy for breeding purposes.

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## AITKIN TOUR

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ally have a good sized raspberry patch on their river bottom soil. Nearby was the Joe Haskin turkey flock. Mrs. Haskin was sick in bed. Mr. Haskin was the first man to be called in the draft, but was excused as he has several small children, and his farm to maintain.

On to the A. W. Hoffman & Son Turkey Farm where 4500 turkeys were parading up and down near their fence. A new son, a turkey helper, saw the light of day the 20th. Mother and child doing nicely.

The following attended the tour: Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Albrecht, Fairfax, Minn.; Jack and Bill Fox, Princeton; A. J. Schumacker, representing Quaker Oats Co., Duluth; Guy Varner, Ogilvie; Merle R. Baker, Ogilvie, feed dealer; Al Smeby, editor "Markets," South St. Paul; Wm. Peck, Livestock Bruise Prevention Commissioner, South St. Paul; L. R. Nyberg, representing Peterson-Biddick Co., Wadena; W. J. Kraft, representing Northrup King & Co., Minneapolis; Harold Johnson of same firm, Minneapolis.

Frank Erickson, Kettle River; Ed Kolb, Cloquet; Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Ranelius. Mr. Ranelius is president of the Minnesota Turkey Growers Association, C. J. Street, L. W. Street of Street-Way, White Bear. L. W. Street operates a hatchery at Osseo. Leo Norwood and daughter Georgia, Pequot Lakes; Oscar Ylonen, Kettle River; Mrs. Frank Erickson and daughter Sonia, Kettle River.

Mr. and Mrs. Severson, Staples. Mr. Severson owns a produce house in Aitkin. Albert Gravidahl, Pequot; A. J. Haugland, Pequot; Mat Anderson, Pequot; A. Lundeen, Pine River; Olaf Olson, Brainerd; E. A. Benson, Brainerd, Zachman Turkey Farm representative, Rogers; W. B. Larson, Land O'Lakes Creamery, Minneapolis; Joe Laughlin, with the DeSota Creamery, St. Cloud; Albert Ostenso, Brainerd; Joe Hanson, Anoka.

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Aitkin folk follow: Mrs. Sophia Neime, Andrew Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ulman and her father, W. J. Hower, Lanark, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. John Coleman, Richard Gruhlke, Joseph Haskin, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ronhausen, Mrs. Henry Chale,

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The REA recently passed through this part of Aitkin County and the turkey growers are reaping the reward. They see electricity the great servant of man. The electric incubator, electric battery, electric brooders will save many steps.

Turkeys on the tour were in excellent condition, and presented a wonderful spectacle. All were Mammoth Bronze, but the one Narragansett flock mentioned. Several growers had recently sold alive several hundred birds. Soon growers will be busy dressing and packing and shipping to satisfy the age-old desire for savory meat from a roasted golden brown Aitkin County turkey.

At the 6:30 banquet at the Aitkin Armory 300 sat down to a real turkey feast. Music, singing and speeches kept the crowd delightfully entertained. County Agent Rollins as toastmaster stated dairying yielded \$767,000, turkeys \$375,000, sheep \$129,600, and hogs \$45,000 as leading industries in Aitkin County.

Speakers were. Al Smeby, WCCO livestock reporter and "Markets" editor of South St. Paul, Harold Grinnegan of Duluth Chamber of Commerce, Wm. Peak, Livestock Bruise Prevention Commissioner, South St. Paul, S. J. Ranelius, Hastings, Minn., President of Minnesota Turkey Growers Association, and Dr. W. A. Billings, turkey specialist. Dr. Billings stated that the market is nowhere near the "saturation" point with buying power at its present level. He advised local growers to save more breeding hens, rather than depending upon western states for their eggs and poults.

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